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Serial No.: 09/855,180

Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Title: GARMENT HAVING GASKET WITH INTEGRATED
ZONE OF ELASTIC TENSION AND/OR STRETCH

FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rules 1.56 and 1.98, References AA through AK (Sheet 1 of 25), Reference AR (Sheet 1 of 25), and References AA through AB (Sheet 2 of 25) are cited and discussed on Pages 11 and 20 of the referenced patent application and are brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of this application.

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European Patent Reference 0 570 980 A1 appears to disclose a garment, such as an absorbent garment, having an adjustable fastening system around a waist area of the garment.

Japanese Patent Reference 3-67646 appears to disclose a method of making a multilayered laminate in which a middle layer is differentially stretched in the machine direction as it is applied between two outer layers.

The following co-pending U.S. patent applications are also brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of the subject patent application.

Applicants: Raymond Jeffrey MAY et al.
Title: TARGETED ELASTIC LAMINATE HAVING
ZONES OF DIFFERENT BASIS WEIGHTS
Serial No.: 09/855,189
Filing Date: 14 May 2001
Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,833

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Applicants: Raymond Jeffrey MAY et al.
Title: TARGETED ELASTIC LAMINATE HAVING
ZONES OF DIFFERENT POLYMER MATERIALS
Serial No.: 09/855,188
Filing Date: 14 May 2001
Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,829

Applicants: Christopher Peter OLSON et al.
Title: GARMENT HAVING AN APPARENT ELASTIC
BAND
Serial No.: 09/855,196
Filing Date: 14 May 2001
Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,944

Serial No.: 09/855,180

Docket No.: KCC-14,485

Applicants: Raymond Jeffrey MAY et al.
Title: GARMENT HAVING INTEGRATED ZONE OF
ELASTIC TENSION ALIGNED WITH AN
OPENING

Serial No.: 09/855,195

Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,280

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Applicants: Oomman Painumoottil THOMAS
Title: ELASTOMERIC LAMINATE WITH FILM AND
STRANDS SUITABLE FOR A NONWOVEN
GARMENT

Serial No.: 09/855,194

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Attorney Docket No.: KCC-15,893

The remaining references listed on Form PTO-1449 are also brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of this application.

Form PTO-1449 (25 pages) is enclosed with a copy of each and every reference cited on Form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,



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